

MINUTES OF: LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (DRIVERS)

Date of Meeting: 27th July 2021

Present: Councillors Gill (Chair), Stevens and Haworth

**In Attendance: Yasmin Ahmed, Legal Officer
Phil Morton, Public Protection Officer
1 driver**

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items of business.

4. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved:

That the public and press be excluded from the following items of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 since they involved the disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

5. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR ZY (ITEM C4)

The chair welcomed the driver to the sub-committee.

The Public Protection Officer outlined to all persons present the relevant information, which applied to all confidential applications.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the driver before the sub-committee.

The driver presented their case to the sub-committee.

The sub-committee members asked questions for clarification purposes only.

The driver and Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the sub-committee to come to a decision.

The driver and Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the sub-committee to advise of their decision.

The following decision was read out by the Legal Officer:

Resolved:

That the hackney carriage driver's licence be revoked under Section 61 of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The committee did not consider the driver to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage driver's licence

The driver would be informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them

The driver would be informed of the reason for the council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matter had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to Hackney Carriage Driver Licences and the sub-committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

6. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR MA (ITEM C1)

The Public Protection Officer advised the Committee that Mr MA had surrendered his hackney carriage driver's licence.

The Committee continued to hear the report in the absence of the driver.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the driver before the sub-committee.

The Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the sub-committee to come to a decision.

The Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the sub-committee to advise of their decision.

Resolved:

That the hackney carriage driver's licence be revoked under Section 61 of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The committee did not consider the driver to be a fit and proper person to hold a hackney carriage driver's licence.

The driver would be informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

The driver would be informed of the reason for the council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matter had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to Hackney Carriage Driver Licences and the sub-committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

7. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE FOR MA (ITEM C2)

The Public Protection Officer advised the Committee that Mr MA had surrendered his private hire driver's licence.

The Committee continued to hear the report in the absence of the driver.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the driver before the sub-committee.

The Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the sub-committee to come to a decision.

The Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the sub-committee to advise of their decision.

Resolved:

That the private hire drivers licence be revoked under Section 61 of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The committee did not consider the driver to be a fit and proper person to hold a private hire driver's licence.

The driver would be informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

The driver would be informed of the reason for the decision and that they would receive a copy of the council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matter had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to Private Hire Driver Licences and the Sub-Committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

8. REPORT TO CONSIDER THE REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE LICENCE FOR MA (ITEM C3)

The Public Protection Officer advised the Committee that Mr MA had surrendered his private hire vehicle licence.

The Committee continued to hear the report in the absence of the vehicle licence holder.

The Public Protection Officer presented the report and detailed the circumstances that had brought the vehicle licence before the sub-committee.

The Public Protection Officer left the room to enable the sub-committee to come to a decision.

The Public Protection Officer re-entered the room to enable the sub-committee to advise of their decision.

The following decision was read out by the Chair:

Resolved:

That the private hire vehicle licence be revoked under Section 60(1) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976. The committee did not consider the vehicle licence holder to be a fit and proper person to hold a private hire vehicle licence.

The vehicle licence holder would be informed of their right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, which must be exercised within 21 days of service of the decision letter upon them.

The vehicle licence holder would be informed of the reason for the council's decision in writing.

Reason for Decision

The matter had been considered in accordance with the Council's approved procedure, the Council's Guidelines on Convictions, the conditions attached to private hire vehicle licence and the sub-committee took into account all the relevant information put before them.

The meeting concluded at 12.15

CHAIRMAN

